

AMERICA'S ARMY: THE STRENGTH OF THE NATION™



Army Family Covenant

We Recognize...

- ... The commitment and increasing sacrifices that our Families are making every day.
- ... The strength of our Soldiers comes from the strength of their Families.

We are Committed to...

- ... Providing Soldiers and Families a Quality of Life that is commensurate with their service.
- ... Providing our Families a strong, supportive environment where they can thrive.
- ... Building a partnership with Army Families that enhances their strength and resilience.

We are Committed to Improving Family Readiness by:

- Standardizing and funding existing Family programs and services
- Increasing accessibility and quality of health care
- Improving Soldier and Family housing
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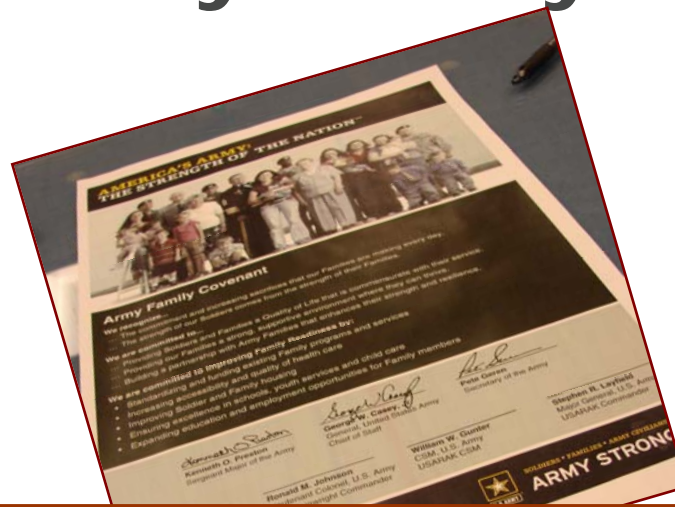




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Fort Wainwright's
Army Family
Covenant
Signing Ceremony
took place
November 6,
2007



Read more about the ceremony on the web, in the [Alaska Post](#)



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Our Mission: *Manage Army installations to support readiness and mission execution – provide equitable services and facilities, optimize resources, sustain the environment and enhance the well-being of the Military community*

Leading Change for Installation Excellence



- In recent years...
- Fort Wainwright delivered:

- **Child Development Centers:**

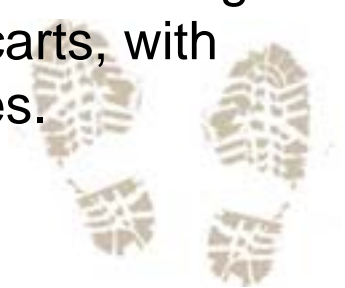
- During the FY 06 deployment CDC expanded full day spaces by 20 and respite care spaces by 24. This allowed more family participation with the respite care initiative and did not result in a large cost to Child and Youth Services.
- In FY08 adding 1 permanent Child Development Center (Bldg 4176) at a cost of \$336,292.00 which will accommodate 86 hourly and part day spaces. This transition will add 56 full day spaces to the existing CDC (Bldg 4024). This expansion results in a 33% increase.



- **Fort Wainwright delivered:**

- **Commissaries:**

- Fort Wainwright Commissary went live with the a new state of the art checkout system which includes 4 self checkout stands along with 9 check out lanes.
 - Renovations now ensure all checkout lanes are wide enough to assist our patrons in wheelchairs and electric carts, with lanes #1 and #8 designated as handicapped lanes.





- **Fort Wainwright also delivered:**
 - **New Hospital** – \$215M, completed in 2007.
 - **Single Soldiers and Family Housing:**
 - \$104M for new barracks construction.
 - \$61M for new construction/renovation of family quarters.
 - Appropriation of \$7M to renovate older family quarters.
 - Obtained funding for 135 Domestic Leases throughout the local community.
 - Obtained short term hotel leases for families and single soldiers.
 - \$7M in renovation of older barracks.





- **Fort Wainwright also delivered:**

- **AAFES:**

- Opened a drive thru Espresso Hut at the Resale Lot.
- Opened an Espresso Shop on the second floor of the new hospital.
- Established a GCI telephone contract providing local, long distance, internet and cable for Soldiers and Families.
- Opened an AAFES Shoppette in the new hospital.





- **Fort Wainwright programmed:**
 - **School Age Services Bldg:** A planning charrette is currently underway for a new School Age Services Bldg. The Bldg is estimated to cost 16 million.
 - **Single Soldier and Family Housing:**
 - \$146M for construction of new barracks through 2015
 - \$252M for on going construction of 473 new family quarters through 2009.
 - Approval to privatize family government quarters by January 2009





- **Fort Wainwright programmed:**
 - **Running Routes** – 1.6 miles added to existing running routes
 - **PX Renovations** - \$10.4M to expand Food Court and Military Clothing Sales





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Army Soldier-Family Action Plan Implementation

Fort Wainwright Quality of Life Improvements for all Families of deployed Soldiers / DoD civilians (Quick Wins)

- Waiver of CYS annual /re-registration fees.
- Soldiers/DoD Civilian in direct support of OIF/OEF will receive 16 hours of Respite care per child per month. This is an increase of 6 hours. Respite care can be offered at STACC Sites, FCC Homes, CDC, and SAS programs.
- Reducing hourly care fees from \$4.00 to \$2.00 per hour per child.
- Waiver of fees offered for two CYS team or individual sports per child/youth.
- 20% discount to families using full and part day child care.
- Waiver of fees for four instructional courses (not to exceed eight weeks) per child / youth.





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- Establish Family Focus forums for Soldiers and Families (AC, AKNG, RC)
- Establish outreach (go to them) Family Readiness services to identify Families who are not connected in the community
- Expanding Family Readiness Support Assistants (FRSAs) to Bn-level adding 11 new staff
- Increasing Army Community Services (ACS) support capacity, increased staff by four positions to assist customers
- Expanding employment opportunities for Family members with the Army Spouse Employment Partners (ASEP)





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- Promote Army Family Covenant and what it means to our community in FRG briefings, Newcomer Orientations, and Command briefings
- EFMP respite care – DA implementing a centralized contract with expanded service capability
- Providing discounted Golf or lessons at Chena Golf Course and Bowling at the Nugget lanes
- Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers (BOSS) providing BOSS discount cards, white water rafting trips, canoe trips, horse back riding, paint ball tournaments, holiday parties, volunteer opportunities with the community.





Warrior Transition Unit (WTU) and Soldier and Family Assistance Center (SAFAC):

– WTU's:

- Establish Soldier and Family Assistance Center to support the Army's Wounded Warrior program.
- 4.2 Million was provided to renovate barracks, SFAC, and incorporate handicap accesses.





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